

GUY WIRES IN TRAPS

Traps for All Who Go Abroad After Dark Set in Western Part of the City.

SOURCE OF DANGER TO FIREMEN ALSO

In Many Cases Supporting Lines Are Fastened to Nearest Poles, Clear of Pedestrians, but an Effectual Barrier to Use of Fire Ladders, Thus Proving Great Danger.

The guy-wire nuisance is attaining such proportions, especially in the western and southwestern portions of the city, that residents are protesting and are demanding that the proper authorities take some immediate action to have dangerous and unsightly wires removed.

Most of the poles that are heavily laden are weak from age, and all of those from which the wires turn at an angle, are supported by guy-wires. The majority of these wires, of course, run from one pole to another and are fastened high enough above the ground to be out of the way of pedestrians, but directly in the way of the fire department should it be called upon to work at a point where these obstructions exist.

A movement to force public utility companies to do away with dangerous and unsightly guy-wires by installing good, strong poles, and even to put all wires underground, is general throughout the country. Some of the people of Portland who have tripped over guy-wires in the dark believe it is time for the local authorities to take action. At least they believe the companies should be forced to desist from anchoring their supporters to the ground on the edge of a sidewalk.

Some Samples Shown. In one place the wires run from the top of the poles and are fastened in the parking strip just at the edge of the sidewalk. The guys are so placed that on a dark night or in the glare of an unsteady light they are practically invisible.

They are not only a menace because they are likely to trip pedestrians, but should the upper end of a guy wire come in contact with a live wire it might result in the death or serious injury of passers by. Should any one be injured in any of the ways above suggested the city, it is said, would be liable for damages.

A tour through the western and southwestern sections of the city afforded to disclose to a Journal representative that the town has many poles supported by these dangerous wires. Between Park and West Park streets, from Yamhill up to Market street, there are poles anchored to the ground in the parking strips on every cross street. At the corner of West Park and Market streets there are two such poles in close proximity to each other. The majority of these serve as stays to lines of new and empty poles on each cross street. In each instance the guy is anchored right at the edge of the sidewalk, in position to catch the unsuspecting pedestrian.

On Tenth, Eleventh and Fourteenth streets, between Yamhill and Madison streets, there are other examples of the nuisance. And there are more throughout that portion of the city. Out in the vicinity of King and Washington streets may be found several. Right on the corner of King and Washington streets is a pole anchored by a wire leading to the ground at the curb corner, in an excellent position to catch a passerby. Out toward the park there are more of the same sort. On almost every corner and in between these are poles guyed to other poles. While these stays are fastened to pedestri-ans' heads, they would prove a serious block to the fire department should it be desirable to handle ladders in these localities. Some of the poles appear to be so weak that they seem to stand under the network of wires on them only because they are guyed to the ground. Such poles are a source of danger in themselves.

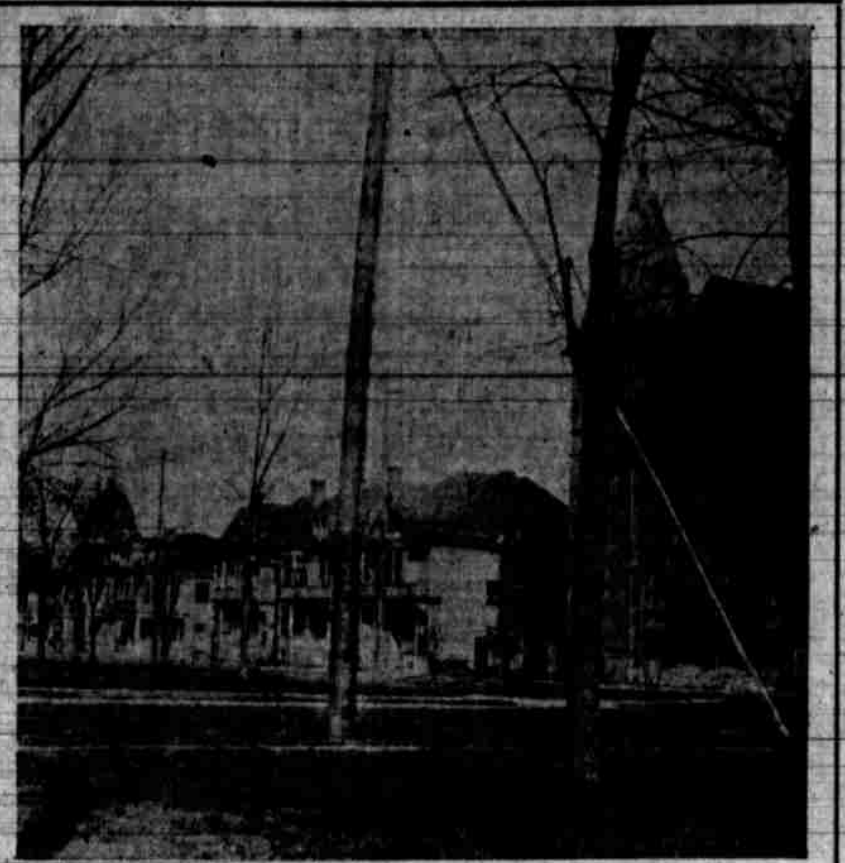
PROMISES TO KEEP DRUNK TO GET OUT OF JAIL

Kansas City Jurist Makes Prisoner Agree to Leave Town and Stay Intoxicated.

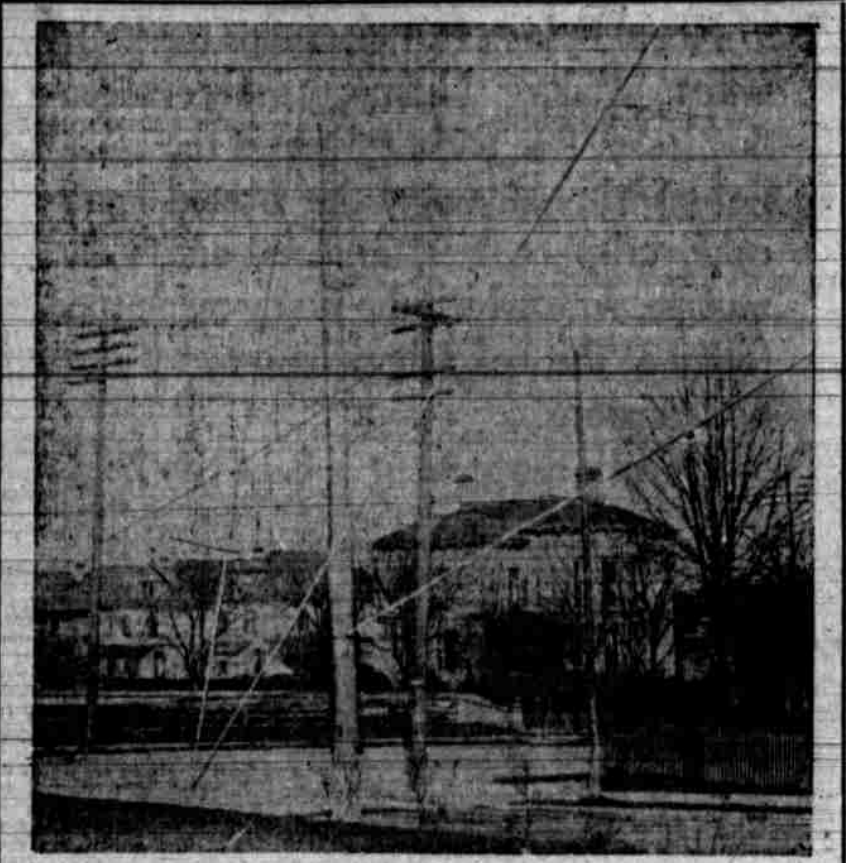
Kansas City, Mo., March 8.—"If you'll go out and get drunk and stay drunk I'll let you out of jail. You've got to leave the city. You've got to live up to these three conditions. If you don't I'll put you in jail and keep you there."

These were the conditions on which Judge Wofford in the criminal court released Billy Jones today. Jones is said to be the son of a well-known St. Louis family. The name of Jones is an alias. The man refuses to give his real name. On his attorney's promise that Jones would go to Chicago, where he had found employment, Judge Wofford took the prisoner's personal recognisance. "Only, you remember, you've got to get drunk and stay drunk. You're a bad man, and whisky will take you to the devil quicker than anything else. The sooner the devil gets you the better."

VIEWS SHOWING THE EXTENT OF THE GUY WIRE NUISANCE



At Park and Columbia.



At King and Washington Streets.



At Tenth and Yamhill Streets.

NO DANGER OF A WAR IN THE ORIENT, STATES MAJOR-GENERAL CORBIN

American Troops Needed to Protect Missionaries, Not to Invade China—Boycott Rapidly Adjusting Itself—No Protection Is Afforded Foreigners in Celestial Empire.

(Journal Special Service.) San Francisco, March 8.—"If we are to have American missionaries in China we must have troops to protect them. The recent rioting, as I understand it, has been committed by river pirates, and although trouble is bound to come in the orient, I anticipate nothing of a warlike nature. There is absolutely no foundation for the sensational reports of war in China, and the boycott on American goods is rapidly adjusting itself and is now practically stopped."

HUMAN FLESH SOLD AS PORK BY MEAT DEALER

Buenos Ayres, March 8.—A Portuguese meat dealer, Jose Modry, has been arrested charged with murdering a man and selling his flesh as pork. The police found the remains of 14 persons in his shop. The people who learned they had been eating human flesh wanted to storm the jail.

NO SHIP IN DISTRESS OFF SANTA BARBARA

San Luis Obispo, Cal., March 8.—Signals seen by railway men last night, supposed to be those of a vessel in distress, are now believed to have been merely passing signals of two vessels. Nothing further has been heard of the supposed vessel in distress.

MISSOURI CONVICTS GUILTY OF MURDER

Jefferson City, Mo., March 8.—Convicts Vaughn, Ryan and Raymon were found guilty this morning of murder in the first degree for killing Captain Clay, guard at the penitentiary. In the guilty verdict they were sentenced to life terms.

STANDARD OIL IS MINERS ARRAIGNED FOR MURDER FAVORED

National City and Hanover National Banks First to Get Government Funds.

TWO DAYS AHEAD OF ALL COMPETITORS

Official Says Their Washington Representative Wired Them So That They Were Able to Be First to Comply With Conditions.

(Journal Special Service.) New York, March 8.—Most of the national banks in this city are wondering today why the National City bank and Hanover National bank, with which it is closely allied, succeeded in obtaining their proportion of government funds, which Secretary Shaw declared Friday to place in depository banks, 48 hours ahead of all other banks in the city. Secretary Shaw decided to deposit \$10,000,000 in banks throughout the country and this city gets \$3,000,000. Nearly all of the national banks here are depository banks. Most of them have not received their allotments yet, although a few received them late yesterday afternoon, but the City National bank and Hanover National bank received their allotments Tuesday. An official of the National City bank said the reason the bank had received its funds 48 hours ahead of other depositories was because the bank's representative in Washington learned the amount of the allotment early Monday morning and had immediately telegraphed his employers here, who had not waited for official notice from the treasury department, but had at once deposited bonds with the local subtreasury office in the natural course of events received the money two days earlier than the other banks.

RABIES IN A DOG WATCHED THROUGH EVERY STAGE

Veterinarians Observe Fox Terrier's Furious Agony Until Death Claims Victim.

(Journal Special Service.) New York, March 8.—Probably for the first time in the history of veterinarianism, a case of rabies in a dog has been observed, stage after stage, from the first symptom to the last death throes. The dog was a fox terrier, belonging to Miss Neddie Parmelee, a niece of Richard Coignt, the millionaire soap manufacturer, and was under observation in the kennels of Dr. Arthur W. Smith, veterinarian, of 18 Prospect place, East Orange, until its death. The dog became unmistakably mad toward the middle of last Saturday. The kennel was made of wood, covering a framework of steel bars. In its early fury the little fox terrier chewed all the wood from the steel bars supporting it. Early yesterday the throes of the dog became so furious that Dr. Albert C. Whitcroft, fearing he might succeed in breaking from the steel kennel, stood with a loaded revolver ready to shoot. The dog finally died in terrible agony.

C. U. GANTENBEIN FILES PETITION AT SALEM

Salem, Or., March 8.—The following petitions were filed yesterday with Secretary of State Dunbar: C. U. Gantenbein, for Republican nomination for circuit judge in the fourth judicial district in department No. 4, Motto, "Justice to all without fear, favor or prejudice."

PREACHER IS ACCUSED OF GROSS IMMORALITY

Salt Lake, March 8.—The Rev. James E. Eddle, dean of St. Mary's cathedral (Episcopal), who is accused of gross depravity by numerous boys, had a preliminary hearing today before Bishop Spaulding. The affair has caused a great sensation, as several well-known families are implicated. Eddle is an Englishman and married. He declares his innocence and says the charges are malicious and unfounded.

ADVOCATED BY MITCHELL CASH FOR THE COLUMBIA

Late Oregon Statesman for Fifteen Years Championed Popular Election of United States Senators.

Commerce Committee Agrees to Support Fulton's Amendment to Bill for Four Hundred Thousand.

CORRUPTION PRODUCED BY PRESENT METHODS

OREGON SENATORS WORKING FOR MONEY

System Now in Use Asserted to Smack of Monarchical Form of Government—Converts Elections Into Poolrooms of Debauchery and Gives Greater Power to Bosses.

Puget Sound Shippers Want Protection in Ship Subsidy Bill for Lumber and Other Shipments From Pacific to Atlantic Ports and Send Representative to Washington.

(Special Correspondence of The Journal.) Washington, D. C., March 4.—The late United States Senator John H. Mitchell was a strong supporter of the election of senators by direct vote of the people. For 15 years he openly espoused this cause, and frequently addressed the senate on the subject. Senator Mitchell based his advocacy on the assertion that the election of senators by the legislature had corrupted these bodies and caused serious interference with the business of the commonwealth. His speeches in the senate disposed of the fundamental objection that to alter the method prescribed by the federal

(Washington Bureau of The Journal.) Washington, March 4.—Senators Fulton and Gearin appeared before the senate committee on commerce today in behalf of Fulton's amendment to the sundry civil bill for \$400,000 for the Columbia river bar. The committee unanimously agreed to report the amendment favorably and it will not go to the senate appropriations committee. The commerce committee will also report Fulton's amendment and ask an independent bill making the appropriation immediately available and the Oregon senators will endeavor to get it passed through the senate and house without delay. In addition to the \$400,000 provided by the Fulton measure, an appropriation of \$100,000 will be made in the sundry civil bill from

FOUR DEMOCRATS RULE REPUBLICAN CITIES OF NORTHWEST

Portland, Spokane, Tacoma and Now Seattle Choose Mayors Outside Dominant Party—Riplinger Will Not Contest Election—Moore Is for Closed Town.



William H. Moore, Mayor-Elect of Seattle.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Seattle, March 8.—The election of Judge Moore as mayor of Seattle places Democratic executives in control in the four large cities of the northwest. In each of these municipalities there is normally a Republican majority. In spite of this Democrats have been chosen mayor in Portland, Seattle, Spokane and Tacoma. Mayor Floyd Daggett of Spokane was elected last spring on an open-town platform, Mayor Lane of Portland on a closed-town platform, Mayor Wright of Tacoma is a candidate for reelection with every prospect of success. The results in these cities show the increasing independence of the voters and the tendency to ignore party lines in home government. John Riplinger, defeated Republican candidate for mayor of Seattle, announces that he will not contest the election of William H. Moore, municipal ownership candidate, who was elected by a plurality of 15 votes. There will not be any resorts to the courts, both candidates expressing themselves as being willing to abide by the result of a recount if it was deemed advisable to have one. Last night the city council committee agreed with the representatives of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul upon the terms of the franchise to be granted the street road. It was dissatisfaction with